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The Ministry Team: Challenges, Coping Strategies, and Resource Support

Purpose: To discuss the psychological challenges faced by Military Chaplains, Chaplain Assistants and Religious Program Specialists and describe various coping strategies to reduce these psychological stressors and prevent compassion fatigue. Resources will also be identified as reference points for the intended audience who include Military Chaplains, Chaplain Assistants, Religious Program Specialists, healthcare providers and subject matter experts.

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Time	Agenda Item	Lead
1300-1305	**Administrative Announcements and Administrative Remarks** **Introduction**	• **CDR Brenda Gearhart, Clearinghouse Outreach and Advocacy, DCoE** • **Chaplain Thomas E. Preston, Executive Director, Armed Forces Chaplains Board**
1305-1325	**Life As A Chaplain, Chaplain Assistant and Religious Program Specialist in Theater** • ***USF-I Chaplains in Baghdad, Iraq***	• **Chaplain Michael Coffey, Multi-National Force Iraq Chaplain and team members**
1325-1335	**Q&A: Open Discussion**	• **CDR Brenda Gearhart, Clearinghouse Outreach and Advocacy, DCoE**
1335-1355 1355-1415	**Coping Strategies and Care for Caregivers** • ***Coping Strategies, Training and Personal Supports Utilized to Prevent Compassion Fatigue*** • ***Care for Caregivers***	• **Chaplain Bradley Thom, Assistant for Coordinating the Human Care Initiative, Chief of Chaplains Office** • **RPC Parrish Walker, Manpower Chief, Office of the Chaplain of the Marine Corps** • **Chaplain David Moran, Director, Soldier and Family Ministry, Office of the Chief of Chaplains** • **Chaplain David Scheider, Director of Army's Family Life Training Center** • **Chaplain Lance Sneath, Clinical Supervisor, Family Life Chaplain Training Center**
1415-1425	**Q&A: Open Discussion**	• **CDR Brenda Gearhart, Clearinghouse Outreach and Advocacy, DCoE**
1425-1445	**Resources Available to the Ministry Team** • ***Risk and Resiliency: Pre-exposure Preparation and Caregiver Reintegration Retreats***	• **Chaplain David L. Carr, USAF Staff Chaplain, Resource Division Marriage/Family and Reintegration** • **Chaplain John Tillery, USAF Staff Chaplain, Student Management**
1445-1455	**Q & A: Open Discussion**	• **CDR Brenda Gearhart, Clearinghouse, Outreach and Advocacy, DCoE**
1455-1500	**Closing Remarks**	• **CDR Brenda Gearhart, Clearinghouse, Outreach and Advocacy, DCoE**